

Court Sc. #2

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORKUSDC SDNY  
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United States of America

v.

JOSEPH MAHARAJ,

Defendant.

**Order of Restitution****22 Cr. 18-01 (NSR)**

Upon the application of the United States of America, by its attorney, Damian Williams, United States Attorney for the Southern District of New York, Stephanie Simon, Jim Ligtenberg, and Benjamin Klein, Assistant United States Attorneys, of counsel; the presentence report; the Defendant's conviction on Count One of the above Indictment; and all other proceedings in this case, it is hereby ORDERED that:

**1. Amount of Restitution**

JOSEPH MAHARAJ, the Defendant, shall pay restitution in the total amount of \$4,034,411.19, pursuant to 18 U.S.C. §§ 3663; 3663A and 3664, to the victim of the offense charged in Count One. The name and address of the victim are set forth in the Schedule of Victims, attached hereto as Schedule A. Upon advice by the United States Attorney's Office of a change of address of the victim, the Clerk of the Court is authorized to send payments to the new address without further order of this Court.

Restitution is joint and several with the following defendants: Shawn Rains, 22 Cr. 18 (NSR); Raymil Perez, 21 Cr. 229 (KMK); and Angel Ayala, 21 Cr. 803 (CS).

**2. Schedule of Payments**

Pursuant to 18 U.S.C. § 3664(f)(2), in consideration of the financial resources and other assets of the Defendant, including whether any of these assets are jointly controlled; projected

earnings and other income of the Defendant; and any financial obligations of the Defendant; including obligations to dependents, the Defendant shall pay restitution in the manner and according to the schedule that follows:

In the interest of justice, restitution shall be payable in installments pursuant to 18 U.S.C. § 3572(d)(1) and (2). While serving the term of imprisonment, the Defendant shall make installment payments toward his restitution obligation and may do so through the Bureau of Prisons' (BOP) Inmate Financial Responsibility Plan (IFRP). Pursuant to BOP policy, the BOP may establish a payment plan by evaluating the Defendant's six-month deposit history and subtracting an amount determined by the BOP to be used to maintain contact with family and friends. The remaining balance may be used to determine a repayment schedule. BOP staff shall help the Defendant develop a financial plan and shall monitor the inmate's progress in meeting her restitution obligation.

Any unpaid amount remaining upon release from prison will be paid in monthly installments of not less than \$2,000 or at least 20 percent of the Defendant's gross income. Monthly installments are payable on the 1<sup>st</sup> of each month, upon release from prison.

If the Defendant defaults on the payment schedule set forth above, the Government may pursue other remedies to enforce the judgment.

**3. Payment Instructions**

The Defendant shall make restitution payments by certified check, money order, or online. Instructions for online criminal debt payments are available on the Clerk of Court's website at <https://nysd.uscourts.gov/payment-information#PaymentofCriminalDebt>. Checks and money orders shall be made payable to the "SDNY Clerk of Court" and mailed or delivered to: United States Courthouse, 500 Pearl Street, New York, New York 10007 - Attention: Cashier, as required

by 18 U.S.C. § 3611. The Defendant shall write his name and the docket number of this case on each check or money order.

**4. Additional Provisions**

The Defendant shall notify, within 30 days, the Clerk of Court, the United States Probation Office (during any period of probation or supervised release), and the United States Attorney's Office, 86 Chambers Street, 3rd Floor, New York, New York 10007 (Attn: Financial Litigation Unit) of (1) any change of the Defendant's name, residence, or mailing address or (2) any material change in the Defendant's financial resources that affects the Defendant's ability to pay restitution in accordance with 18 U.S.C. § 3664(k). If the Defendant discloses, or the Government otherwise learns of, additional assets not known to the Government at the time of the execution of this order, the Government may seek a Court order modifying the payment schedule consistent with the discovery of new or additional assets.

**5. Restitution Liability**

The Defendant's liability to pay restitution shall terminate on the date that is the later of 20 years from the entry of judgment or 20 years after the Defendant's release from imprisonment, as provided in 18 U.S.C. § 3613(b). Subject to the time limitations in the preceding sentence, in the event of the death of the Defendant, the Defendant's estate will be held responsible for any unpaid balance of the restitution amount, and any lien filed pursuant to 18 U.S.C. § 3613(c) shall continue until the estate receives a written release of that liability.

**6. Sealing**

Consistent with 18 U.S.C. §§ 3771(a)(8) & 3664(d)(4) and Federal Rule of Criminal Procedure 49.1, to protect the privacy interests of victim, the Schedule of Victims, attached hereto as Schedule A, shall be filed under seal, except that copies may be retained and used or disclosed

by the Government, the Clerk's Office, and the Probation Department, as need be to effect and enforce this Order, without further order of this Court.

Dated: White Plains, New York

April 30, 2024

  

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NELSON S. ROMÁN  
UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE



**SCHEDULE A**

**FILED UNDER SEAL**